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AW.**CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA)
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Address to: Box CPA Commissioner for Patents United States Patent & Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231	Attorney Docket No. of prior appln.	USW 0391 PUS
	Inventor(s) or Appln. Identifier	Russ L. Albert et al.

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This is a request for a X continuation or ___ divisional application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (continued prosecution application (CPA)) of prior application Serial No. 09/001,643 filed on December 31, 1997, entitled Internet-Based Database Report Writer And Customer Data Management System.

1. This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior application, 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)(4).

a. ___ **DELETE** the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:

b. ___ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.

2. Preliminary Amendment:

a. ___ Enter the unentered amendment filed in the prior application on _____.

b. X A Preliminary Amendment is attached.

c. ___ Cancel in this application original claims _____ of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

d. ___ A Petition to Suspend Prosecution For The Time Necessary to File An Amendment (New Application Filed Concurrently) is attached.

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I hereby certify that this CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION (CPA) REQUEST TRANSMITTAL and the documents referred to as attached therein are being deposited on the below date with the United States Postal Service in an envelope as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" addressed to: Box CPA, Commissioner for Patents, United States Patent and Trademark Office, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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3. Small entity status:

- a. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.
- b. ☐ Small entity status was claimed in the prior nonprovisional application and such status is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer desired.

4. Fee Calculation:

FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	CALCULATIONS
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(c))	12-20 =	0	x 18.00	0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b))	2-3 =	0	x 80.00	0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (if applicable) (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(d))			270.00	0
BASIC FEE (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(a))				710.00
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- a. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16.
- b. ☒ Fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

7. Maintenance of Coadependency of Prior Application

☒ A request for extension of time and the appropriate fee have been filed in the pending prior application (or are being filed in the prior application concurrently herewith) to extend the period for response until January 18, 2001.

8. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is attached, along with the following indicated attachments thereto:

- a. ☐ Form PTO/SB/08 (_____ sheet(s))
- b. ☐ Copies of references cited

9. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard

10. ☐ Other: _____

11. X An Assignment of the invention to Owest Communications International Inc.
having an address of 1801 California Street, Denver, CO 80202

a. is attached.

b. X was recorded on July 24, 2000 at Reel 010814, Frame 0339.

c. X Applicant requests that the above assignee information be published with the application.

12. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

<u>Ralph E. Smith</u>	<u>35,474</u>
Name of Attorney of Record	Reg. No.

 The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

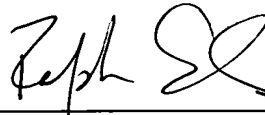
X The power does not appear in the original papers, but was filed on April 27, 1998.

 A new power has been executed and is attached.

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Date January 17, 2001

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In re application of:

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Serial No.: 09/001,643

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FOR CPA

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Sir:

Initially, Applicants note that a Notice of Appeal was filed on October 18, 2000, in response to the final rejection mailed on June 16, 2000. Applicants hereby withdraw the appeal at this time in favor of filing a CPA. Applicants request a one month extension of time from the date Applicants' Brief was due for filing the CPA, thereby extending the time permitted for filing the CPA and this preliminary amendment to January 18, 2001.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

Please replace claims 1 and 8 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended claims is attached to this Amendment.

1. (Twice amended) A system for generating an on-line report containing user billing and inventory information comprising:

a host site connected to at least one user computer terminal via an on-line interconnection, said host site comprising a database for storing the user billing and inventory information, and a processor terminal connected to the on-line interconnection for receiving

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